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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of September 10, 2002, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the current abstract and replace with the following:

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A method for developing an automation client program in a graphical programming environment is disclosed. The graphical programming environment provides a set of automation nodes and controls which may be dropped and wired together to create a graphical program. The nodes include an automation refnum which